

NOVEL TRANSLOCATION ASSAY

Abstract

The present invention relates to a novel in vitro assay for determining the level of a protein, in particular, a membrane transport protein that is located at the plasma membrane of a cell compared to the level of the protein in the cell. The process of the invention is also useful for determining the level of recycling of a membrane transport protein. The present invention additionally provides a process for identifying an agent that modulates the translocation of a protein, in particular, a membrane transport protein, to the plasma membrane and, as a consequence, the activity of that protein.